## ORDER OF SERVICE

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

God calls us to worship him, let us respond with praise!

#### MEDITATION VERSE

"Has any god ever tried to take for himself one nation out of another nation, by testings, by signs and wonders, by war, by a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, or by great and awesome deeds, like all the things the LORD your God did for you in Egypt before your very eyes"

- Deut 4:34 (ESV) -

### PRAISING THE LORD

Let us lift our voices to the Lord as we worship at His footstool and magnify His name.

Songs of Praise Rejoice

I Know Whom I Have Believed

Take Shelter

#### HEEDING THE WORD OF GOD

In a spirit of submission let us listen to the voice of God and respond in spirit & in truth.

Sermon The Importance of Spiritual Friendship

John 15: 9-17

Response Song Leaning On The Everlasting Arms

Offering Doxology

Announcements & Prayer

Closing Song Benediction

Offering

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## **MATURE - MINISTER - MULTIPLY**

2025 Theme : Evangelism and Discipleship

Sermon Series : Inter-Generational Evangelism and Discipleship

Sermon : The Importance of Spiritual Friendship

Scripture : John 15: 9-17
Preacher : Dr Tan Soo Inn

#### OUTLINE

#### A. The Importance of Spiritual Friendship

- Jesus calls His disciples "friends" (v15), showing us that friendship is part of the Christian life.
- 2. Spiritual friendship is a relationship of mutuality and intimacy rooted in a common friendship with Christ, and characterized by a commitment to help the other follow Christ.

(adapted from James Calvin Davis)

- B. The Components of Spiritual Friendship
- 1. **Time** friendship requires intentional presence.
- 2. **Conversation** sharing life, faith and struggles openly.
- 3. Acceptance embracing one another as Christ has accepted us.
- 4. **Sacrificial Love** laying down one's life for the other (v13).
- 5. **Full Disclosure** honesty and transparency, just as Christ revealed the Father's will to His friends (v15).

#### C. The Platforms for Spiritual Friendship

- 1. **Social groups** casual fellowship that can open doors.
- 2. **Small groups** deeper study and prayer together.
- 3. **Micro groups (eg., 3-2-1)** a few believers walking closely and intentionally with each other

#### D. The Challenge

- 1. To **grow in spiritual friendship** by moving beyond surface connections into Christ-centred, committed relationships.
- 2. Friendship in Christ is both a gift to receive and a calling to practice.

#### **REFLECTION QUESTIONS**

- Christians are friendly but they are not really your friends. To what degree is this true of Evangel?
- 2. What are some of the obstacles preventing Evangel from becoming more a church of friends?
- 3. What can you do personally to better befriend others in Evangel?



### **Pulpit Ministry**

Our overall theme for 2025 is "Evangelism and Discipleship".

Today, we will conclude our four-part sermon series on "Inter-Generational Evangelism and Discipleship" by Dr Tan Soo Inn and Mr Ho Wei Hao.

Starting next week, 31 Aug till 28 Sep, we will begin a four-part sermon series on Apologetics. This series will cover topics on the reliability of the Bible, Who is Jesus, fulfilled prophecies about Jesus and why does God allow evil and suffering. We will host a special tea fellowship for all visitors in the multi-purpose hall. Please invite your pre-believing friends.

#### Kopi@EvangelHub - Kueh Dadar Demo, Wed, 3 Sep, 11am to 1pm

Join us for a hands-on session on making Kueh Dadar and bond over a cup of kopi and food. Please invite your pre-believing family and friends.

#### Vacation Bible School (VBS) 2025 - Magnified!, 24 & 25 Nov, at Evangel Hub

Magnified! This year's VBS will encourage kids to look closely at the details of God's amazing world and magnify, or proclaim, the greatness of God, Discover the bigness of God in the smallest of things at VBS 2025!

Date/Time: 24 & 25 Nov (Mon and Tue), 9:30am - 3:00pm

: 4 to 12 years old (born 2021 or earlier) Cost: \$5/pax

We are looking for volunteers to serve - teaching, art & craft, decorating, music, games etc.

Please approach Eunice or Esther to indicate interest. Stay tuned!

#### **EBC Church Camp, 12 - 15 June 2026**

The dates for our next church camp will be Fri, 12 Jun 2026 to Mon, 15 Jun 2026.

Please mark the dates in your calendar. More details will be provided at a later date.

#### Evangel Hub Activities (540 Sims Ave #04-01)

- Kopi@Evangel Hub, Wed (Contact Amy at admin@evangelbc.sg)
  - o 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed 11am–1pm
- YCLUB Study Sessions & Activities (Contact Mok, Woon Ngo)
  - Study sessions (30 Aug, 6, 13, 20, 27 Sep, 2pm-4pm)
  - YCLUB Junior for pre-pri & primary students. (Sat. 3pm-4pm)
  - Bible Story, craft and others (contact Woon Ngo or Jee Meng)

  - Visit https://evangelbc.sg/yclub-evangel/ for latest schedule
- Exercise, Sat, 6 &13 Sep, 18 & 25 Oct
  - o Ladies (2pm-3pm): Contact Sylvia Choo
  - Table Tennis (3pm-4pm): Contact Peter Lee
- Work Space & Other Enquiries

For more information, please refer to Evangel Hub website: https://evangelbc.sq/hub Kindly contact respective ICs or email admin@evangelbc.sg or WhatsApp 89253606 for the latest information.

	24 Aug 2025	31 Aug 2025
Sermon	The importance of Spiritual Friendship	Is the Bible Reliable?
Preacher	Dr. Tan Soo Inn	Rev Daniel Ong
Scripture	John 15: 9-17	-
Floral Offering	Penny Ong Hwee Peng	Stephen & Sylvia Choo
Floral Arranger	Ng Soo Hwa	Sylvia Choo



# **EVANGEL BAPTIST CHURCH WORSHIP SERVICE**

24 Aug 2025 | 9:30am